

MESSAGE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS

Wednesday, March 07, 2012

The U.S. Embassy is transmitting the following message to bring to the attention of American citizens the following information provided by the Bahamas Meteorological Department.

A frontal system continues to affect the Central and Southeast Bahamas as a high pressure ridge maintains strong winds over The Bahamas. There is a warning for beach goers to remain on land due to high and dangerous rip currents and small craft operators should remain in port.

Northwest Bahamas

Small craft advisory remains in effect. Winds: northeast to east at 25 to 30 knots. Seas are 9-13 feet over the ocean with large northeasterly swells.

Winds are expected to subside on Friday. Winds are currently easterly at 15-20 knots as a cold front approaches.

Thursday forecast: variable cloudiness with windy conditions through the night. Winds: northeast to east 20-30 knots; Seas: 8-12 feet...small craft advisory in effect. Friday forecast: Wind: northeast to east at 15-20 knots; Seas: 4-7 feet. Small craft caution in effect.

American citizens traveling or residing overseas are encouraged to enroll in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) and with the appropriate U.S. Embassy or Consulate on the State Department's travel registration website at <https://travelregistration.state.gov>.

For any emergencies involving U.S. citizens, please contact the U.S. Citizens Services Unit of the U.S. Embassy's Consular Section, located 42 Queen Street (across from the British Colonial Hilton Hotel), Nassau; telephone: 242-322-1181; after hours emergency telephone: 242-357-7004; ACS unit fax: 242-356-7174; e-mail: ACSNassau@state.gov; web page: <http://nassau.usembassy.gov>.

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